## **Purpose Statement**

Our group's purpose is to build, encourage, support and foster relationships to strengthen each other in our homeschooling journey.

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We are a group of about 40 military and civilian families that live on or near Yokota Air base.

### **Activities**

- We meet once a month for an informational meeting where we gather ideas on what the group would like to do for future activities and announce upcoming events. We take time to encourage each other with guest speakers, or just spend time talking with fellow homeschoolers in the group.
- We also schedule one monthly field trip, and one monthly "Mom's night out".
- In addition to our regular monthly meetings and events, we often schedule special activities and extra-curricular events. Recent activities and events have included:
  - o Curriculum Fair
  - Japanese Culture Day at West Side Elementary
  - o Shakespeare Reading Group
  - o Field Day
  - o Art Classes
  - o Japanese Language Classes

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Today an estimated 1.6–2.0 million children are being taught at home by their parents.

Brian Ray, Worldwide Guide to Homeschooling, Broadman & Holman, 2002

On average, homeschool students in grades 1-4 perform one grade level higher than their public and private school counterparts.

Lawrence Rudner Scholastic Achievement and Demographic Characteristics of Home School Students In 1998, Education Policy Analysis Archives, http://epaa.asu.edu/epaa/v7n8/

The number of families choosing to home-school grows at an estimated annual rate of 7-15 percent.

Brian Ray, Worldwide Guide to Homeschooling, Broadman & Holman, 2002